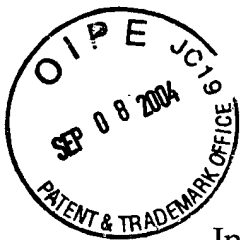


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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action mailed on March 17, 2004, please amend the above referenced Application as set forth below. The Applicant hereby respectfully request a one-month extension to respond with an extension Fee of \$55.00 enclosed.

I) Please cancel claims 8 and amend claim 9 as set forth below:

